

Eynsham Baptist Church

February 2020



SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES include Creche and Junior Church. On the 1st Sunday of the month there are pre-service prayers in church between 10 -10.15 a.m. at which all are welcome.

DATE	<u>THEME</u> : NO ORDINARY MAN	LEADER
SUNDAY 2nd	10-10.15 a.m. Pre-service prayers 10.30 a.m. Who do you think you are? <i>John 8: 48-59</i> 3.00 p.m. Messy Church	Revd Zoltan Biro
Thursday 6 th	12 noon Communion	
SUNDAY 9th	10.30 a.m. Camping with a twist HC <i>Luke 9: 28-26</i> 3.00 p.m. SONGS OF PRAISE <i>Café Style Service - 'Love'</i>	Revd Zoltan Biro
Thursday 13 th	12 noon Communion	
SUNDAY 16th	10.30 a.m. A surprising stranger <i>John 4: 1-7</i>	Revd Zoltan Biro
Thursday 20 th	12 noon Communion	
SUNDAY 23rd	10.30 a.m. An unconventional FHC Treatment <i>John 9: 1-12</i>	Revd Zoltan Biro
Thursday 27 th	11.45 a.m. Prayers in the church 12 noon Communion	

HC = Holy Communion **FHC** = Family Holy Communion (creche have own activities)

OUR PRAYER TIMES ARE CHANGING:

THURSDAYS - On the last Thursday of the month there will be a prayer time in church at 11.45 a.m. before our usual 12 noon Communion service. Everyone is welcome.

SUNDAY MORNINGS - Pre-service prayers in the church will take place on the 1st Sunday of the month between 10 - 10.15 a.m. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

HOME STUDY GROUPS

meet regularly in various homes. To find a group to join please speak to Maureen.

**2nd and 4th
Thursdays**

SOUP & STUDY

1.00 p.m. in our main hall. Zoltan leads this relaxed, informal time to study the Bible after a soup lunch. Further information from Zoltan or Maureen.

Weekly

ASYLUM WELCOME

There is a box at the back of the church for donated items: see Marcus Thompson for more details or see www.asylum-welcome.org

Weekly

FOOD BANK

Collection points are Derek's Traidcraft stall, or CO-OP. Donations go to the North Oxfordshire Food Bank whose area includes Eynsham. **All need at least 6 months to run on the 'use by date'.**

**Weekly
on
Thursdays**

TRAIDCRAFT STALL

9.45 a.m. - 11.15 a.m. in our main hall: Fairtrade goods & cards and sales table in aid of Eynsham Day Centre.

**Weekly
on
Tuesdays**

THE 114 CLUB

7 - 9 p.m. a sociable evening playing Rummikub, cribbage, etc - speak to David or Lin for details.

**Tuesday 4th
February**

GATEHOUSE SOUP

The annual soup delivery to the Gatehouse in Oxford is on 4th February. If you can help by preparing two one-litre blocks of frozen soup please contact Beverly Rostron by email on beverly.chandler@btinternet.com Labels and full instructions will be given and the frozen soup will be collected on the morning of 4th February from your door.

- Thursday 6th February** **BMS COFFEE MORNING & TRADCRAFT STALL**
10.00 - 11.15 a.m. in our main hall. Tea/coffee, cake and sales table raising money for BMS. Fairtrade goods and cards, plus local free-range eggs.
- Thursday 6th February** **DEACONS MEETING**
7.30 p.m. Please pray for our Minister and Deacons as they seek God's leading for the church.
- 10th - 12th February** **SCBA LEADERS' CONFERENCE** Zoltan will be attending. We pray that he will find this a spiritually refreshing time.
- Friday 14th February** **FUNKY FRIDAY**
5 - 6.30 p.m. Year 5s (9-10) **7 - 8.30 p.m.** Year 6s (10-11). This is going well, but more helpers always welcome. If anyone can offer help please speak to Zoltan.
- Tuesday 18th February** **ALTERNATIVE PANCAKE DAY**
David and Lin extend their usual invitation, but a week early this year. Drop in at 114 Spareacre Lane between 12 - 2.00 p.m. and enjoy freshly cooked pancakes.
- Thursday 20th February** **LUNCH CLUB**
1.00 p.m. To book your place please speak to Pamela Thiele or Maureen Thompson.
- Monday 24th February** **COFFEE & CARNATIONS**
We will be going to Millett's Farm. Please sign the list if you need or can offer a lift. We meet in the main cafe at 10.30 a.m.
- Monday 24th - Sunday 8th March** **FAIR TRADE FORTNIGHT**
This year Fair Trade Fortnight focuses particularly on cocoa farmers in West Africa, ensuring they are paid fairly and able to earn a living income. Chocoholics can buy supplies from Derek on Thursday mornings - as well as lots of other fairly traded items.

FORWARD NOTICES

**Sunday 1st
March**

GATEHOUSE

This is the next date Eynsham's help is needed to support Oxford's homeless drop-in centre with sandwiches, fruit and cake. *More details: Ray & Revel Elliot on 881346.*

**Friday 6th
March**

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Service in St Peter's, Eynsham: further details in due course. This year's theme is '**Rise, take your mat and walk**' and is prepared by the women of Zimbabwe.

**Saturday
14th March**

CHURCH SPRING CLEAN

9.30 a.m. onwards. Please put the date in your diaries: the more people who turn up the sooner we can finish: coffee makers and encouragers also very welcome!

**Sunday
15th March**

EBC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

12.00 noon All members are encouraged to attend this important meeting at which we shall be electing Church Treasurer, Secretary and Deacons. Bob Thiele is willing to be nominated again for Church Treasurer and Sheila Wood for Church Secretary. We also have two Deacon vacancies. You can nominate yourself or someone else (with their permission) for any of these positions, but church rules state that they must be church members of a least six months' standing. Anyone is welcome to attend this meeting, although only church members can actually vote.

**Saturday
21st March**

LENT QUIET DAY

10 a.m. - 2.00 p.m. at Freeland Convent (lunch included). Further details in due course.

**Saturday
4th April**

DEACONS AWAY DAY

10.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m. at Burford Baptist Church.

**8th - 12th
May**

BAPTIST ASSEMBLY in Bournemouth. Zoltan and Marta will be attending. If anyone would like to go as EBC's delegate this year please speak to Zoltan as soon as possible.

BAPTISMAL CLASSES

Zoltan will be running five Baptismal classes for anyone who is either thinking of being baptized, or who wants to explore further. We already have one candidate for baptism and our morning service on Sunday 5th April will be a Baptismal service. Please speak to Zoltan for more details.

ENCOURAGEMENT

One of the most beautiful passages in Scripture is found in Isaiah 43: 1 - 4 “... ***you are mine. When you pass through the waters I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned ... For I am the Lord, your God ... you are precious and honoured in my sight, and ... I love you... “***

“*You are precious and honoured in my sight ... I love you.*” It is tremendous - and astonishing. YOU are loved by GOD. When you are tempted to despair, when you are afraid, anxious, alone, remember: **God loves you.** He said so Himself.

FREE TO GOOD HOME

Brother printer cartridges: set of 4 LC 123 cartridges - (had been put in printer to check malfunction, but not actually used). Speak to David Miller for more information.

DEADLINE FOR THE MARCH NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 23rd FEBRUARY

subject to editorial discretion and space constraints:

Lin Miller - tel: 01865 881780 - email: linmiller25@gmail.com

EYNESHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Lombard Street, Eynsham, Oxford OX29 4HT

Tel: 01865 882203 Email: eynsham.baptists@btinternet.com

MINISTER: Revd. Zoltan Biro

Tel: 01865 881670 **Mobile** 07846 653457

Days off usually Wednesday & Saturday: on these days please first contact Church Secretary or Deacons. In an emergency contact by text or email.

CHURCH SECRETARY - Sheila Wood - 01993 650263

CHURCH TREASURER - Bob Thiele - 01865 426203

HALL BOOKINGS **Tel:** 07900 066471 **Email:** rdavidmiller@yahoo.co.uk

DEACONS: **Angie** Cox - 880563

Barbara Cook - 375730

Denise Launchbury - 881128 **Derek** Malin - 884107

June Poole - 375130

Maureen Thompson - 881808

Sue Law - 731263

**PLEASE MAKE MINISTER OR DEACONS AWARE OF ANYONE
NEEDING PASTORAL SUPPORT.**
